President.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the name No 19 appearing in Appendix VI, Mr. C. A. Kunhunni Raja is not the present Sirkar Vakil of Trichur?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—And No. 3 in the same list, Mr. A. Sankara Poduval, is the same Hon'ble Member who is sitting in this House?

Rama Varmah Tampuran.—Yes.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it not a fact that Mr. Sesha Ayyar is a member of the Cochin Bar?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is he not one of the leaders of the Calicut Bar?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is he not a Cochinite?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was it offered to him or did he apply?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It was offered to him.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—On the initiative of the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether it was as a result of want of confidence either in the Trichur Bar or Ernakulam Bar that this offer was made to an Advocate of Calicut?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government made that offer because they thought that he will be the most suitable man.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—In making this offer did the Government think that there was no competent person here to occupy that place?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Government thought that it would be best to have the person that they have got now.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Was the merits of each and every man in the list considered before making this offer?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

279. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) (i) the Judcial Officers;

(ii) Retired Chief Court Judges;

(iii) Chief Court Vakils who were in any way connected with the case mentioned in (i) and (ii) of sub-division (a) of the previous question No. 278 above;

(b) the names of vakils of the Chief Court practising either at Ernakulam or Trichur with over 15 years' standing at the Bar not connected with the case above mentioned?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran.—

(a) (i) Mr. T S Narayana Ayyar
,, N R Sahasranama Ayyar
,, V D Ouseph
,, K M Subramania Ayyar
,, U Suppukkutti Menon
,, K P Kannan Nayar
(ii) Mr. K Achyuta Menon
(iii) Mr. K Achyuta Menon
,, K Sankunni Menon
,, C P Vaidyanatha Ayyar
,, M C Thomas
,, A Madhava Prabhu
,, M Sivaramakrishna Menon
,, C M Venkitachala Ayyar
,, T S Narayana Ayyar (now Special Officer)
,, T M Krishna Menon
,, A Sankara Menon
,, S Rangaswami Ayyar
,, M S Menon
,, K J Govinda Pai
,, Paul P Mampilli
,, K Govinda Menon
,, A S Krishna Ayyar

(b) A list is appended (*Appendix VI*)

Loan floated by the Cochin Government.

280. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar .— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) Where the 75 lakhs received as Loan are deposited;

(b) is any interest charged; if so, what is the rate;

(c) did the Government correspond with the Imperial Bank of India, regarding the investment of this amount in that Bank?

(d) what rate of interest did they agree to give?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) and (b) Vide copy of the Press Communique, dated 14th July 1934 appended (*Appendix VII*).

(c) Yes. But the matter had to be dropped, since other banks offered better terms.

(c) 2% on deposits for one year; they did not accept deposits for less than an year.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—In the Press Communique the names of the banks are not given. Will the Government be pleased to give out the names of the banks?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We have no objection to give out the names of the banks. But I would request the House to remember that this is a matter which affects not only the Gov-

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APPENDIX VI.

List of Chief Court Vakils practising at Ernakulam and Trichur with over 15 years' standing at the Bar.

	Messrs.		Messrs.
1	P Venkitarama Aygar	15	R P Parameswara Ayyar
2	Marayil Krishna Menon	16	C S Subramania Ayyar
3	A Sankara Poduval	17	R P Venkitakrishna Ayyar
4	T S Balakrishna Sastri	18	A Velayudha Menon
5	K J Guna Pai	19	C A Kunjunni Raja
6	Marath Achyutha Menon	20	Kannangath Raman Menon
7	Abrahim B Salem	21	S Krishna Ayyar
8	A S Vengu Ayyar	22	C A Ouseph
9	N A Renganatha Ayyar	23	T S Viswanatha Ayyar
10	P Rama Ayyar	24	A Narayana Menon
11	K Sankara Kurup	25	K A Kannan Menon
12	K Govindan Nambiyar	26	T Govinda Menon
13	Perincheri Raman Menon	27	C R Iyyunni
14	M Narayana Menon		

APPENDIX VII.

PRESS COMMUNIQUE.

It has been brought to the notice of Government that some misapprehension exists regarding the disposal of the proceeds of the loan of Rs. 75 lakhs raised last August to meet the cost of the conversion of the State Railway from metre to broad gauge and of the execution of the fourth stage of the Harbour works.

The amount of the loan was fixed at Rs. 75 lakhs after taking into account the then available State reserves that could conveniently be diverted for purposes of capital expenditure. Of these Rs. 75 lakhs, Rs. 30 lakhs are to be utilised for the fourth stage Harbour works. The remaining 45 lakhs are being used to supplement the State reserves to meet the cost of the railway conversion works. Very satisfactory progress is being maintained in the programme of railway works and the cost on account of the conversion will be completely paid shortly. The balance in hand will then only be the Rs. 30 lakhs intended for the Harbour works.

This sum together with the balance that has yet to be paid on account of the railway conversion works has been placed on deposit in leading banks of international repute in Madras, Bombay and Cochin at rates of interest varying between 2 and 3 per cent and for such periods as may ensure that funds are available to meet demands as they fall due.

Government are glad to announce that all transactions connected with the loan have been conducted with the utmost possible expediency and that no pains have been spared to make the interim investments of the balance of the loan in the most secure and profitable manner possible.

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